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Hey Eric,

Jay's email was restored. I've made some slight editorial changes to his comments and added an introductory section which neither he nor Ron have seen, but it attempts to lay out the three key issues (as we discussed). I'm submitting these comments to you and Chip for the moment as draft in the event Ron and/or Jay and/or you and Chip have any additional thoughts or questions. I'll hold on a broader circulation until sometime next week.

Have an extraordinary weekend.

- R